

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect the invention of Group III (claims 9-27) drawn to methods of identifying an agent. The election is made without traverse.

Applicants hereby submit a Sequence Listing in paper and computer readable form together with a verification statement to fulfill the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.821-1.825. The amendments in the specification insert the paper copy of the Sequence Listing and sequence identifiers in the specification. No new matter is added.

Claims 1-30 are pending. Applicants amended claim 1 to insert sequence identifiers.

Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's objection to the defective declaration. A new, corrected declaration will be submitted in a supplemental response.

Applicants ask that all claims be examined in view of the amendment to the claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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